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Bob, Jim and Rick

This is in response to the LWG's request (email from Maja Tritt, below) to reduce the data validation level for the 44 SBLT mobility tests. As discussed at yesterday's project manager meeting, the LWG's request is acceptable with the condition that the LWG conduct a full (Level IV) data validation on at least 2 data packages for SBLT prior to reducing the data validation level for these tests.

Please let us know if you have any questions regarding this approval.

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Please see below and attached from Maja Tritt.

Thank you,

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Jen, please forward the following and attached to Chip Humphrey and Eric Blischke with a cc to Ginna Grepo-Grove. Thanks.

Chip and Eric,

The LWG would like to reduce the level of validation for a portion of the mobility test data packages relative to the validation procedures described in the Round 2 QAPP and QAPP Addendum 11. Per Ginna's request when I discussed this matter with her on January 13, attached please find: 1) A summary of data validation items included in level III and level IV validation as described in the QAPP, and items included in the proposed level II validation (i.e., modified electronic screening); 2) A description of level II data validation procedures; and 3) A summary of qualifiers applied to mobility test samples during validation according to QAPP specifications. These attachments were provided by EcoChem.

The sample set and current validation status is as follows:

Sample type	Number of samples	Validation status
Bulk sediment	11	complete
TCLP sediment	11	complete
Site water	22	complete
MET extracts	22	14% complete
SBLT extracts	44	not started
TCLP extracts	11	complete

To date, all of the data for sediment, site water, and TCLP extract samples have been validated according to QAPP procedures, including all data for sediment and surface water collected from the site and analyzed without further processing. Data validation for MET extracts is in progress, also at validation levels III and IV per the QAPP. A summary of qualifiers applied to the sediment, surface water, and TCLP extracts is provided in attached table Qual Summary.xls, with reasons for qualification. This table shows that the majority of QC outliers that resulted in data qualification would also have been identified by level II validation. One can reasonably expect that a similar proportion of qualifiers will be identified during level II validation for the SBLT extract data as for the surface water and SBLT extract samples.

LWG proposes to reduce the data validation level for the 44 SBLT extracts. These samples are batched in small batches because only a few samples a week can be filtered given the large volumes of water required for analysis and the slow filtration times. Because of the short holding times for the extracts, these samples can't be batched efficiently. As a result, the cost of validation for the mobility test samples has increased substantially, from approximately \$80,000 to over \$180,000. The cost for level II validation is expected to be approximately \$110,000. The SBLT data will be used to evaluate confined disposal and capping options in the FS, and will not be used for the baseline risk assessment. Given these data uses and the nature of the QC outliers for the surface water and

TCLP extract data, the proposed level II validation is expected to be sufficient for the SBLT samples.

Please let us know whether these changes are acceptable to you. Please contact Keith Pine or me with any questions. Thank you very much.

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